Senate Judiciary Committee Amendment No. 3 (by Kyle) Amendment No. 1 to SB2427

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2427*

House Bill No. 2476

by deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and substituting therefor the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-101(a), is amended by adding the following paragraphs to the end of subdivision (2):

If the issue before the court is a modification of the court's prior decree pertaining to custody or a residential parenting arrangement, then the petitioner must prove by a preponderance of the evidence a material change in circumstances. A "material change in circumstances" does not require a showing of a substantial risk of harm to the child.

Nothing contained within the provisions of this subdivision shall interfere with the requirement that parties to an action for legal separation, annulment, absolute divorce or separate maintenance incorporate a parenting plan into the final decree or decree modifying an existing custody order.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.